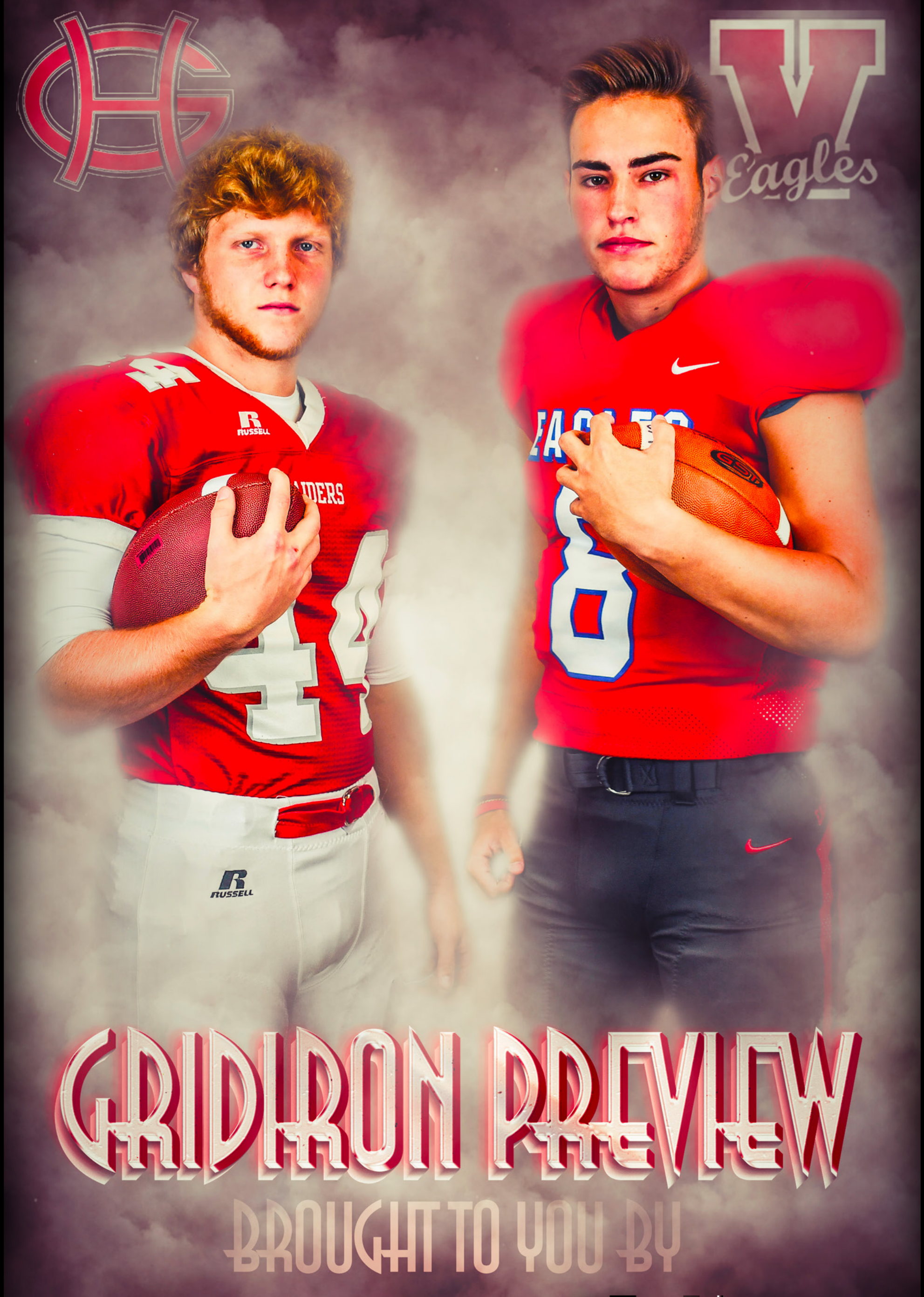
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A van crashed through the front of the Baileyton Dollar General early Monday morning.

Van crashes into Baileyton Dollar General

Heather Mann
Tribune Correspondent

BAILEYTON – A van crashed into the Dollar General in Baileyton around midnight Monday morning. The store was closed so no employees were harmed.

According to a spokesperson, the driver of the van appeared to be unconscious when the van rolled through the front of the store but woke up afterward to drive away.

The full extent of the damage won't be known until employees can enter the store to assess the situation, but the glass store front has been mostly shattered and one of the registers has been pushed out of position.

The store, located at 13600 Alabama Highway 69, will be closed for at least two weeks to a month while repairs are underway.



GREGG DEBOER

CCSO arrests 2 for crimes against children in separate cases

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CULLMAN – Investigators with the Cullman County Sheriff's Office recently arrested two men, in separate incidents, for crimes against children.

On Friday, James Tyler Hinman, 37, of Hanceville, was charged with torture, willful abuse of a child under the age of 18 after an investigation allegedly determined he had abused a minor child.

Brandon Duane Combs, 36, of Cullman was arrested by CCSO deputies and investigators in a separate and unrelated case on Monday after deputies determined that a minor child in his custody tested positive for methamphetamine.

Combs was charged with chemical endangerment of a child.

Due to the graphic nature of the crimes, and because the crimes involve minor children, the CCSO cannot release additional details.

"Anytime children are victims of a crime it will break your heart and also make you mad at the same time," said Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry.

"We would also like to thank the Child Advocacy Center (CAC) for their help when we have cases involving children."

Both men have made bond.



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James Hinman, left; Brandon Combs, right

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Jordan Canaday will be leading worship.

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ELECTION 2018

Stadthagen poised to win House District 9 seat after Democrat opponent withdraws

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MONTGOMERY – After Terrie Jones Savage withdrew from the race for Alabama House of Representatives District 9 last week, the Alabama Democratic Party held open qualifying for a replacement through Aug. 10, before voting on Saturday, Aug. 11 to name an official candidate at the State Democratic Party Executive Committee meeting. Though the party was able to seat replacement candidates in two other races (State House District 80: Christopher Davis, and 15th Judicial Circuit Place 6 Judge: Jimmy B. Poole), according to Josh Robinson at the party office in Montgomery, no candidate qualified for the District 9 House seat.

According to Press Secretary John Bennett at the office of the Alabama Secretary of State, Democrats have until 5 p.m. on Aug. 22 to name a replacement, so a possibility exists that the race could continue. Having had no candidates present themselves so far, though, the party may face an uphill battle to challenge Republican candidate Scott Stadthagen for the seat.

If no other challenger appears, Stadthagen will win the seat by default.

In a phone conversation with The Tribune, Stadthagen said that he had heard rumors about why Savage, the sister of U.S. Sen. Doug Jones, D-Alabama, had withdrawn, and said of his opponent and her family, "They'll be in our prayers."

Stadthagen was not aware of the outcome of last Saturday's Democratic Executive Committee meeting; he responded, "Wow. Well, that's good!"

Shared Stadthagen, "As far as the campaign's concerned, we're not going to change course. We're going to campaign like we've been campaigning and make sure we represent our district well in Montgomery.

"There's not (another candidate at this point), but part of our campaign is listening to the people of our district; I'm not going to stop doing that.

"We actually met last night, and we said if we end up not having an opponent, we're still going to be out in our district, and we're still going to be talking to people and listening to people, and that's kind of what we've done from 20 months ago, and we're going to continue to do that.

"I'm excited about the next page for our state, with the leadership we have: with the Speaker Mac McCutcheon and our House Majority Leader Nathaniel Ledbetter.

"And I really think it's going to be a new page for the state of Alabama. And our Cullman County delegation, we're going to do very good things as a team."

The race for the House District 9 seat was wide open going into the June 5 primary since incumbent Rep. Ed Henry, R-Hartselle announced he was not seeking re-election. Stadthagen beat primary opponents Justin Morrow (20.92 percent) and James Bowling (16.66 percent) handily, with 62.42 percent of the vote.



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Republican candidate for Alabama House of Representatives District 9, Scott Stadthagen, speaks at his campaign kick-off rally in Hartselle in June 2017.

Arrest report: Aug. 9-12

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported for Aug. 9-12, 2018. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; **FTA** = failure to appear

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Able, Judy Renea, 60
• public intoxication

Antunez-Flores, Jose Manuel, 26
• second-degree promoting prison contraband
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Baxter, Zachary Colton, 28
• public intoxication

Boatrite, Dolly Crystal Lacy, 26
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Castro, Salome Juarez, 19
• public intoxication

Combs, Brandon Duane, 36
• chemical endangerment of a child

Doss, Crystal Gail, 34
• FTA- proof of liability insurance required

Edwards, Craig Ryan, 35
• second-degree criminal mischief

Franks, Jeremy Randall, 31
• IPA- illegal possession of alcohol in a dry county

Freeman, Abigail Brianna, 21
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Gilley, Christopher James, 26
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Haynes, Joshua Aaron, 27
• FTA- interfering with a domestic violence emergency

Haynes, Justin Keith, 29
• negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Hill, Donald Eugene, 33
• probation violation- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Hill, James Tyler, 24
• FTA- speeding

Hinman, James Tyler, 37
• torture- willful abuse of a child under the age of 18

Hogan, Christi Cowart, 42
• FTA- driving while revoked
• FTA- seatbelt required

Hopper, Cathy, 63
• harassment

Jackson, Kody Lee, 25
• DUI- .08 BAC or greater

Johnson, Christopher Michael, 30
• FTA- driving while suspended

Jones, Christopher Blake, 22
• FTA- driving while suspended

Kreps, Ricky Lynn, 41
• FTA- driving while revoked

League, Cobie Thomas, 19
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Maples, Shane Douglas, 35
• attempting to elude
• DUI- influence of alcohol

McKenney, Joshua O'Neal, 39
• third-degree criminal trespassing
• FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Paugh, Dustin Skylar, 20
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Price, Jacky Ray, 47
• obstruction/using a false ID
• public intoxication

Rice, Chad Dalewin, 46
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Riddle, Howard Scott, 42
• FTA- speeding

Scott, Jeffery Dewayne, 50
• failure to register quarterly SORNA

Shaw, Crystal Dawn, 33
• second-degree burglary
• probation violation- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Shockley, Scott Allen, 47
• FTA- DUI

Simmons, Joshua Byron, 41
• FTA- DUI- .08 BAC or greater

Smith, Kenneth Ski, 46
• FTA- driving while revoked

Stanford, Daleigha Hope, 28
• probation violation- second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
• probation violation- second-degree forgery
• nonsupport

Swain, Regina Marie, 46
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Swann, Jamie Deann, 36
• FTA- third-degree theft of property

Tidmore, Joseph Tyler, 19
• DUI- influence of alcohol
• open container in a vehicle
• reckless driving

Whitehead, Larry Winston II, 42
• FTA- driving while suspended

Williams, Caitlin Rayne, 19
• DUI- .08 BAC or greater

Wilson, Garry Michael, 33
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Witcher, Rodney Dylan, 49
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Yates, Jimmy Louis Jr., 31
w• FTA- brake lights required

Yearwood, Robert Japhrey, 61
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

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Self, Tylar S., 23
• FTA- third-degree domestic violence

Riddles, Howard S., 42
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- driving while revoked

Brown, Amanda B., 36
• FTA- driving while suspended

Boone, John T., 34
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• resisting arrest

Robbins, Anthony W., 36
• FTA- DUI
• FTA- driving while suspended

Brown, Richard L., 56
• GJ- first-degree theft of property

Bryant, Marlon F., 44
• public intoxication

Atchley, Brenda G., 51
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Keeton, Kandice L., 30
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- inoperable brake lights
• FTA- open container in vehicle

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No report provided.

Find arrest reports online Monday-Friday at www.CullmanTribune.com.

STATE / HEALTH

ADPH reports 'several' cases of Zika, West Nile viruses in Alabama

ADPH
Contributor

MONTGOMERY – The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) on Monday reported investigations of several cases of Zika and West Nile virus in Alabama residents.

"Mosquitoes can transmit viruses when they bite, causing illnesses that range from mild to severe or even fatal," according to Sherri Davidson, interim state epidemiologist.

Infection with the Zika virus causes only mild symptoms in most cases, but the biggest risk is to pregnant women.

Zika is now known to cause birth defects and other poor pregnancy-related outcomes if infection occurs during pregnancy.

To date in Alabama, the Zika virus has only been identified in individuals known to have traveled to areas where Zika is known to be endemic.

There has been no local transmission.

Luckily, there are several things you can do to lower the risk of disease to you and your family.

Dr. Dee Jones, state public health veterinarian, said, "The best way to avoid getting a disease from a mosquito is to reduce the risk of being bitten."

Help keep mosquitoes off your skin and out of your yard by following these recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

• When going outdoors, use EPA-registered repellents containing 20 percent DEET on skin or permethrin on clothes. Follow label instructions carefully when using any repellent. Repellents should not be used on infants less than 2 months old.
• Wear loose-fitting long sleeves and long pants.
• Install or repair screens on windows and doors. Use air-conditioning, if available.
• Empty standing water from items outside homes such as flowerpots, buckets, old tires and children's pools.
• Clean clogged gutters and clear drainage ditches and pipes of debris.

Public health environmentalists often conduct courtesy yard inspections in neighborhoods to help educate the public on mosquito control around the home and mosquito bite prevention.

Learn more

• For more information on repellents, visit http://cfpub.epa.gov/oppref/insect
• For additional information regarding prevalence and prevention of mosquito-borne diseases in Alabama, visit http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/mosquito/index.html

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#3 Wyatt Thomason, 11
#4 Jack Hill, 11
#5 Bryce Perkins, 11
#6 Dalton Whitehead, 11
#7 Daniel Flores-Carreno, 11
#8 Hudson Wood, 12
#9 Teague Whatley, 11
#10 Colby Miller, 9
#11 Blake Ray, 12
#12 Dustin Moore, 12
#14 Nate England, 12
#15 Carson Greer, 10
#16 Jarrett Friedrich, 9
#17 Marcus Callingwood, 9
#18 Nathan Whitney, 9
#20 Nathaniel Kelley, 11
#22 Cam Carter, 12
#23 Tim Carter, 11
#24 Dallin Dinkle, 11
#25 Jordan Whitehead, 9
#30 Issac Smith, 12
#31 Dalton Farr, 11
#34 Jordan Terry, 12
#35 Deacon Samples, 10
#40 Kylan Richards, 9
#42 Chandler Reese, 10
#47 Mitch Ford, 12
#50 Jake Griggs, 11
#51 Cole Shugre, 10
#52 Braden Boner, 9
#55 Kalob Lowery, 9
#56 Keith Slaton, 9
#57 Tyler Brown, 11
#60 Eli Chambers, 11
#62 Brodie Curvin, 10
#63 Ethan Martin, 10
#65 Jimmy Bozard, 12
#68 J.P. Johnson, 9
#70 Zander Noblett, 11
#71 Tanner Brown, 10
#72 C.J. Johnson, 9
#74 Isiah Young, 10
#75 Matthew Barnes, 10
#76 Ryan Isbell, 10
#77 Caleb Butler, 10
#78 Anthony Brasher, 12
#79 Dakota McGraw, 11
#81 Easton Whatley, 9
#85 Ethan Douglas, 10
#88 Gabe Friedrich, 9

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Aug. 24 – at East Lawrence
Aug. 31 – v. Falkville
Sept. 7 – v. Westbrook Christian
Sept. 14 – at Midfield
Sept. 21 – v. Hanceville
Sept. 28 – at Addison
Oct. 5 – v. Fultondale
Oct. 12 – at Locust Fork
Oct. 19 – v. J.B. Pennington
Oct. 26 – at Holly Pond
Nov. 1 – v. Cold Springs

CHEERLEADERS: (From left side, top to bottom): Alexis Holmes, Emily Cheatwood, Kinlee Puckett, Faith Leonard, Kaitlyn Cumberland and Madelyn Oden, co-captain; (On the right side, top to bottom): Brylie Teichmiller, IdaLee Greer, Valarie Stacks, Brilee Wasilewski, Samantha Millwood and Bailey Preiss- captain
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Vinemont Eagles

Vinemont Eagles have something to prove

This fall will be a big one for the Vinemont Eagles. Coming off a 2-8 finish last season, the Eagles are waiting patiently for their chance to get back on the field and put 2017 behind them. Entering his second season as head coach, Stephen Robinson is pleased with how the summer went for the Eagles and wants to carry that momentum into fall camp.

"I feel the summer has really gone excellent for us. We've had great attendance all summer, had 40-plus at every workout, so it's been very good," Robinson said. "We've been to quite a few different seven-on-seven competitions and been competitive in all of those, so we've had a great summer as far as numbers and the kids getting stronger and getting some experience."

Eleven seniors graduated from last year's roster, but Robinson is optimistic about the players that he and his staff will have coming back. The Eagles averaged just 12 points per game on offense a year ago, so Robinson will expect more production from a lot of returning faces on offense, particularly up front and in the backfield.

"We really just needed stability at a couple of spots. Our quarterback situation is good with Jack (Hill) coming back and he's had a very good summer. He's matured, he's throwing the ball very well and that will help us a lot. We've got probably the most depth right now that we've had since I've been around," Robinson said. "We have a lot of depth at running back and really there isn't much of a drop-off between those guys until you get six or seven deep at tailback and that's a good problem to have. The experience of our offensive line is great too. We've got several guys coming back and of course we lost a couple last year, Nick Mann and Derrick Ransom. That hurt us, but we've had some guys really step in and do a great job. Anthony Brasher and Tanner Brown have had great summers, Dakota McGraw had a great summer and those three for sure are our leaders on the offensive line."

With a handful on seniors spread across both sides of the ball, there will be some new faces that'll have to step up for Vinemont this season or build off of their production from last year.

"Jack Hill is going to be big for us, Hudson Wood plays tight end and outside linebacker and he's going to be big for us. Teague Whatley has had a great summer; he's kind of a slot receiver, scat back kind of guy and he's going to be doing a lot for us offensively and defensively as well. Dustin Moore will also be back for us and he'll be big this year," Robinson said.

"We've got some guys on defense, too, like Travis Hopper that I think are going to start standing out for us, so we've got quite a few guys to watch this year. We're still young, too. We've got eight seniors, and other than that we're still pretty young on the field and I think a newcomer that's going to help us out this year is Dalton Whitehead. He came in and had big spring, a big summer, and he's one of those guys that hasn't missed a workout so he's being doing really well."

Wood will be one of the eight seniors on the Eagles' roster this fall and for him, the 2018 season will be about proving people wrong and exceeding expectations.

"We had a really good summer program this year and we're just getting ready for the season. We went to a lot of seven-on-sevens and did really well competing in those this year, so we'll be ready to go," Wood said. "We just want to make a change and show that Vinemont isn't the same as it used to be, and we want to go out and win every game and get to the playoffs. We didn't have a good season last year, but we beat a couple of pretty good teams. Addison went pretty far in the playoffs in 2A, and I just think beating those teams shows that we can play with the best of them and we should do well this year."

As a senior, Wood understands his role this season and believes it's up to the seniors to set the tone for the rest of the team. "We've just got to be leaders, both vocally and through actions," Wood said. "I try and do that during every practice or seven-on-seven or workouts or anything we do."

For Robinson and the Eagles, the goal is to win every Friday night, but 2018 will also be about changing the culture at Vinemont and becoming a more physical, disciplined and competitive program.

"Obviously we want to go out and win every game, but realistically, coming from where we've been the past few years and coming into my second year, our goal is to be the most physical team on the field and to be competitive in every game," Robinson said.

"We feel like we have a good chance to surprise some people this year. I think for us coaches, we just expect our kids to play harder than the other team and to be more physical, that's what we want. Like I said, obviously we want to win every game, but we want to be competitive every week and we feel good about where we are. We feel good about our team's attitude towards each other but also towards our competition. I think we've come a long way as far as the kids doing what the coaching staff expects them to do, so we'll see. Honestly it all depends on if we keep working. If we keep working like we're working, and we move into the season working that hard, we're going to be OK. We're just excited to get going."

By: Nick Griffin

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Duck Drawdown Festival raises funds for Sportsman Lake Park

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Hundreds of numbered rubber ducks wait to be drawn during the second annual Duck Drawdown Festival.

CULLMAN – Sportsman Lake Park was filled on a beautiful Saturday for Cullman County Parks and Recreation's second annual Duck Drawdown Festival. Attendees won door prizes, played games and enjoyed food and live music at the event, which was free to enter and raised funds for park improvements.

In addition to the regular park attractions, like putt-putt golf, the train, playground and paddle boats, there were four bouncy houses and an additional train for the kids to enjoy. The event also featured volleyball, cornhole and various vendors selling products.

The duck drawdown itself was the biggest "draw" for the event. Participants purchased tickets marked with a number and then a rubber duck with a corresponding number was placed in a pool.

Later in the event, ducks were fished out the pool and the ticket holder for every 10th duck received a door prize provided by the sponsors of the event. Prizes included shirts, cases of soft drinks, rods and reels and more.

Finally, the person holding the number for the second to last duck won a trailer provided by Topline Trailers, and the lucky number holder for the last duck in the pool received a $1,000 prize.

Doug Davenport, director of Cullman County Parks and Recreation, said the event was a little different from last year's.

"This is our second annual Duck Drawdown Festival," said Davenport. "We moved the dates around this year and had more vendors this year. We just kinda tried to make it more kid-friendly this year; we've got four bouncy houses, two trains going and putt-putt, for $5, for the kids."

Davenport said events like Saturday's festival help add improvements to the park.

"This is a great little park to be right here in the city," Davenport said.

"The money from the tickets, that we're selling for $5 apiece or five for $20, will be used to try to improve the playground and add some features into the park. We just bought 11 new park benches to go around and for the splash pad. We're allotted so much for the year, so if we can do something like this to generate extra money, we don't have to go back and ask for more money for improvements."

Although the festival is new, Davenport thinks it could be around to stay.

"We're excited about it, you never know when you start a new event," said Davenport. "We've tried some things in the past, but this really seems like it's going to be a good thing, so I just hope everybody comes out this year and supports it and in the years to come."

Jonathan and Tameka Ingle, winners of the Topline Trailer at the festival, had a great first visit to the park.

"We're from Jasper and we saw the post where they were having this event and we just thought we'd come and check it out. This is the first time we've been here," said Tameka Ingle. "We visited the booths, the band was good, it's been a nice day."

Jonathan Ingle said fundraisers like this can be beneficial to parks.

"(Events like this are) pretty important; they can always use the money for something," he said. "We'll be back next year."

Jack Aces show raises more than $4K for nonprofit; club fund-raises for member

Christy Perry
Tribune Correspondent



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

CULLMAN – Car and motorcycle enthusiasts filled the street near Moe's Original BBQ in downtown Cullman Saturday afternoon and evening for the fourth annual Jack Aces Bike and Car Show. Proceeds from the show will benefit the Cullman Shop with a Cop Foundation. With at least 100 motorcycles registered and 40 cars and trucks, this year's event has grown since last year. The event raised around $4,200, according to Jack Ace's President Derrick Barton.

Jack Aces posted to its Facebook page Sunday: "Our Jack Aces 4th Annual Bike & Car Show was a HUGE success.. We had record registration and record attendance this year.. For that reason, we will be making our largest donation to CPD Shop with a Cop to date...Thank you all that come out to support the show.. We hope you all had as good of a time as we did!

A big thank you to all of this year's sponsors.."

The Tribune spoke to many participants including Cullman residents Bob and Vicki Howard. The Howards, who will celebrate their 40th anniversary on Sept. 30, had their first date at a car show in Birmingham 42 years ago. They have enjoyed buying and restoring automobiles and attending cruise-ins and shows for many years. Bob Howard brought his '46 Ford truck and Vicki turned heads in her '64 Corvette.

Said Bob Howard, "I have had my Ford truck for 42 years and restored in about 12 years ago. I repainted the truck last year. The Corvette we bought from California back in 2001 and the tags are original tags."

Vicki Howard added, "I grew up with two older brothers and I have always enjoyed cars. We enjoy the cruise-ins and car shows. We slowed down for a while until our kids were grown and now we get to go to more events."

Young Jaylynn, who will turn three next month, attended the show with her grandparents and older brother. Jaylynn did like the cars but made it clear that the bikes were her favorite.

With so many individual tastes and preferences, one of the judges for the motorcycles explained, "We look at attention to detail and it's the little things that make the difference. You can spot when someone really had a plan and saw it through."

Winners in the motorcycle categories were

- First Place Metric- John Kelley
- First Place Custom- Tyler McFern
- First Place Cruiser- Jeff Shockley
- First Place Bagger- Delane Torres

- First Place money prize ($300)- Delane Torres
- Second Place money prize ($150)- Greg McFern
- Third Place money prize ($50)- Tony Hardin

- People's Choice Award- Delane Torres

Winners in the car/truck categories were

- First Place Car- Joey Hinkle
- First Place Truck- Heath Rogers
- First Place Rat Rod- Brandon Hornbuckle

- First place money ($300)- Joey Hinkle
- Second place money ($150)- Randy Powe
- Third place money ($50)- Jerry Thrasher

- People's Choice Award- Dennis Larkin

Besides the incredible cars and bikes, this year's event featured a great local band, Another Hero, that played rock favorites into the night. Also joining them was a young and extremely talented group out of Bessemer, All or Nothing, that blew the crowd away with original songs and some 80s hair band greats.

Jack Aces also sold raffle tickets and other items for fellow member Timmy Puckett.

Barton explained, "Our brother Timmy, who is also with the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, is in Huntsville Hospital going through a 30-day treatment for leukemia.

"He had been in remission for a year and a half. After this 30-day treatment, he will be home shortly before traveling to Vanderbilt for a 100-day treatment including a bone marrow transplant. During these three months, Timmy and his family will have to relocate to Tennessee and pay many out of pocket expenses, possibly including renting and furnishing a place or a lengthy hotel stay. The Jack Aces will continue to do whatever we can to help his family as he fights this cancer."

For more information on Jack Aces or to donate, visit www.facebook.com/jackaces.garage.



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Friday night's games saw players, coaches and fans from years past come out to re-connect and compete for bragging rights.

PREP SOCCER

Bearcats old and new turn out for alumni soccer games

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CULLMAN – Hundreds of Bearcat Soccer fans and alumni filled the stands at Cullman High School Friday night for this year's CHS alumni soccer games. Players were divided into three squads, the 2016 State Champions, the 2012 Final Four finishers and the 2002 State Champions. Each team played two, 35-minute games in a round robin format to decide who was the best.

Attendance for the event was free and included inflatables for the kids, concessions and more. All the proceeds from the event came from donations and will be split between the Bearcats' boys' and girls' soccer teams for the upcoming season.

Game one between the Final Fours and the '02 State Champs got things started and the young legs on the Final Fours gave them the edge in the night's opening matchup.

The '02 Champs struck first in the third minute of the game, but three unanswered goals in the following 10 minutes allowed the Final Fours to cruise to a 3-1 win.

Game two was another heavyweight matchup featuring the '16 State Champs and the Final Fours of 2012. Once again, the Final Fours went down 1-0 early, but they scored twice in the final four minutes to take a 2-1 victory and the sweep.

The final match of the night saw two sets of state champions square off to see who was truly the best. Unfortunately for both teams and the fans in attendance, we're still not sure.

The third contest of the night ended in a 0-0 tie; neither state championship unit was able to separate itself from the other.

One of the members of the 2016 State Championship team, Michael Peralta, was excited to see some familiar faces and see the community show its support for the program.

"It's a really good opportunity to get to come out here and see everybody back. It's been a while since we've seen everyone, so I think it's really good to be able to come back and play some soccer and bring back some memories," Peralta said. "There's a lot of people that came tonight to show their support and that always helps to motivate the players, showing how much they care."

Christina Chambers also made her way to the Cullman Soccer Complex for Friday night's event and for her, the night was about seeing old friends and supporting her alma mater.

"It's really cool for me because I've played soccer since I was 5 years old, but I got a track scholarship, so you know once high school ended, that's kind of when my soccer career ended, too, so it's cool to be back here and see a lot of the guys that I saw when I was in school play," Chambers said.

"I went to school with Casey (Harbin) and a lot of these guys so it's a lot of fun. I wish some of the girls would've come out. I know a lot of the girls that I played with don't live nearby anymore so I know they wish they could've been here for this, but it's just awesome to see everybody come together and support their high school.

"That's what its all about. I'm proud of where I'm from and I'm proud to support this community."

One of the 2002 State Champions, Ben Miller, said he had the most fun catching up with old friends and coaches, but he was also excited to see the support for the program.

"It's been really great. I guess it's been 16 years since we were here, and it felt like soccer was kind of starting to get popular when we were in high school and my freshman year the crowd was never as big as it is right now, so it's really fun to see all the people that we haven't seen in 16 years like old coaches, players and their families," Miller said.

"It's great for the sport in general but especially here where soccer is always a little underrepresented so it's great to see all those trophies over there tonight."

The head coach for the 'Cats girls' team, Jacob Brown, thoroughly enjoyed this year's alumni game and hopes that the younger players will see the older guys' passion for the game and learn to appreciate it to its fullest now.

"Obviously you're excited because it's an alumni game and everything but then you get out here and you see all the old guys you played with and it really brings back memories. Seeing the '02 guys, all the guys you looked up to, coming out here and playing is a lot of fun and then looking over and seeing all the fans," Brown said.

"It's definitely a memory that you miss, and I wish people who currently play will realize that before it's gone. It's a once in a lifetime experience that you'll never get back and I hope they cherish it and make the most of it while they're young."

CHS boys' head coach Casey Harbin has helped organize nights like this in the past, but this year's event proved to be a special night that he'll remember for years to come.

"We did an alumni game a few years ago when I first started coaching but we did it at the spur of the moment in the winter and it wasn't great, so when we decided we wanted to do this thing I said, 'We've got to do it in August when the field looks good and before everyone goes back to school,'" Harbin said. "It's so cool for me because I played with so many of these guys and I coached a lot of these guys and I mean, it's reliving so many glory days for me and it's so nostalgic. I'm giddy right now, I just love seeing every one of them."

It was important to Harbin that the event be free and after seeing the crowd fill the stands, he said he knows the school made the right call.

"We had so many alumni and we didn't want to charge an admission fee because we just wanted everybody to come out here and just enjoy getting back involved with Cullman Soccer," Harbin said. "I looked up and saw the stands packed and immediately it was all worth it."

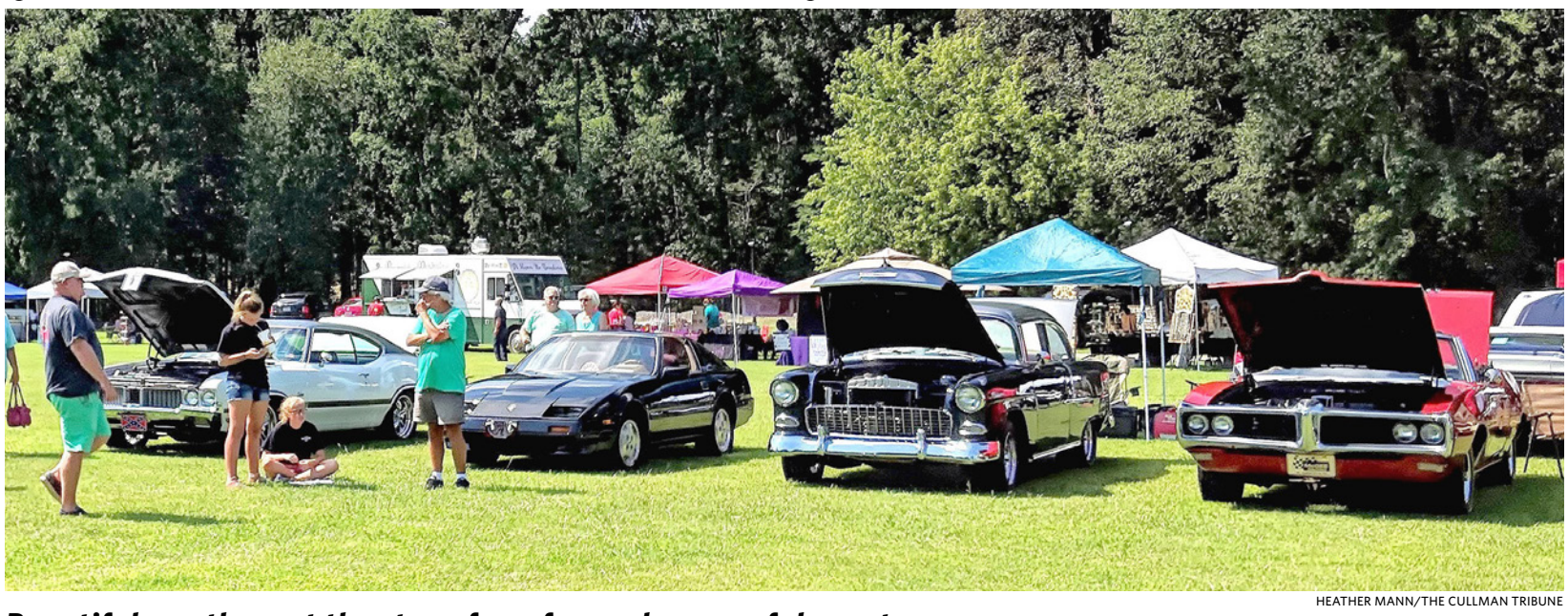
At the end of the night, Harbin had one last message for his 2016 State Championship Team.

"I just want to add that the 2016 team should be ashamed that they let me score on them. For years I told them I was better than them and they let me score," Harbin grinned. "Now I get to hold that over their heads for a year."

Sunshiny successful Saturday for Fairview Band

Heather Mann
Tribune Correspondent

FAIRVIEW – A sunny Randall Shedd Community Park was filled with visitors, vendors and vehicles from all around Cullman on Saturday. The reason? To take part in Fairview Band's fourth annual Car & Tractor Show. Started as a way to fund the purchase new band uniforms, the show has expanded to cover general band costs and instrument maintenance. It is one of the biggest sources of funding for the band, which receives no funds from the school, the County or the State.



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Beautiful weather set the stage for a fun and successful event.

Last year's show helped pay for electronic equipment for the band, so several band parents hope that this year's funds will be used for instrument and music stand repairs.

In an earlier interview about the show, band parent and co-organizer Michelle Watwood said that the tubas are dented to the point of being almost unplayable, many of the drum cases are being held together with ratchet straps and the music stands for indoor practices and concert season are falling apart.

Watwood estimated Saturday evening that the band netted approximately $3,000 from the day's festivities.

"We had cars come in from all over central and north Alabama," said Watwood.

"One guy came from Tuscaloosa. And we had food vendors from all over central Alabama and Johnny's Bar-B-Q there."

In addition to classic car, bike and tractor owners getting the chance to show off their vehicles, the show also had competitions and trophies for the best vehicle in each category: Best in Show Car and Best in Show Tractor (both of which were chosen by the band members), Band Director's Favorite Car and Band Director's Favorite Tractor, Best Motorcycle and Most Eccentric Vehicle.

Throughout the entire event, visitors could enjoy live music performances. Early in the day, the show had a surprise performance from the Fairview marching band, which played three out of its four songs from this year's halftime show. The show, "Sugar and Spice," features the songs "Sweet Child O' Mine," "Sweet Caroline," "Wannabe" and the final song (which wasn't performed) "Sugar We're Going Down."

"We are so grateful for all of the support for our students," said Watwood.

Good Hope Raiders



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TEAM ROSTER

#1 Matt Hancock, 12
#2 Bailey Quick, 12
#3 Preston Bagwell, 12
#4 Jager Burns, 9
#5 Levi McCall, 12
#7 Drew Maddox, 11
#8 Cameron Twilley, 12
#9 D.J. Anderson, 12
#10 Jesse Blackmon, 10
#11 Tanner Malin, 9
#12 John King, 11
#13 Tommy Fetters, 12
#14 Paydon Bagwell, 9
#15 Isaiah Green, 12
#19 Matt Schwaiger, 12
#20 Briley Mattox, 9
#21 Oscar Tepetate, 12
#23 Johnny Quick, 12
#24 Colton Bagwell, 10
#25 Michael Owens, 10
#26 Jake Kicker, 9
#28 Will Flynt, 10
#30 Drew Easterwood, 9
#32 Austin Knight, 12
#33 Jared Pugh, 10
#35 Dylan McDonald, 12
#42 Walter Perez, 10
#44 Matt Dixon, 12
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#52 Dawson Speegle, 12
#53 Sam Jones, 12
#54 Cody Dye, 10
#55 Zebb Kagel, 12
#56 Peyton Hill, 12
#57 Jackson Dillashaw, 10
#58 Jackson Hancock, 12
#59 Brodie Jackson, 9
#60 Justice Click, 10
#61 Riley Kilpatrick, 12
#62 Caleb Willis, 9
#63 Trevor Pace, 11
#64 Alec McDonald, 10
#65 Lucas Hill, 10
#66 Ethan Rasco, 12
#67 Justin Rasco, 12
#70 Jake Doss, 9
#71 Ethan Anderson, 10
#72 Dalton White, 12
#74 Slade Heatherly, 12
#80 Clayton Herring, 9
#88 Brandon Oliver, 12

SCHEDULE

Aug. 24 – at Carbon Hill
Aug. 31 – at Priceville
Sept. 7 – v. Cordova
Sept. 14 – v. Tanner
Sept. 21 – v. Oak Grove
Oct. 5 – at Northside
Oct. 12 – v. Haleyville
Oct. 19 – at Curry
Oct. 26 – at Fayette County
Nov. 2 – v. Hanceville

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COACHES: Alan Scott – head coach and defensive coordinator; Mitch Witcher – offensive coordinator; Taft Dillashaw – running backs; Patrick McDonald – linebackers; Matt McCulloch – offensive line; Ethan Cofer – wide receivers; Justin Ray – defensive line
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Good Hope Raiders

Good Hope Raiders return with experience, determination

The Good Hope Raiders are gearing up for a playoff run this fall. After finishing 4-6 last season and coming up short of a playoff spot, the Raiders are anxious to get back on the field and take the next step this season.

Alan Scott is entering his fourth season as the Raiders head coach and is happy with how this year's team got started in the spring. A shutout victory in the Raiders' spring game helped build some momentum for the team going into its summer workouts.

"I think everything has gone really well. Starting with the spring, we had a good number come out and we were able to play over at Jacksonville State. We played Cleburne County over there and won 21-0 against a really good ball team and that got our summer started really well," Scott said. "We had really good attendance; the kids have been working hard and they've got a good attitude so we're feeling positive so far."

Good Hope will have a lot of new faces in the secondary this season. Mason Moniz, Kyle Carlton and Will Dickerson were all seniors on the back end of the Raiders' defense last year, leaving a lot of experience and production to be replaced. Outside of the secondary, however, Good Hope will return nearly all of its starters from 2017.

Impact players on the offensive side like Matt Hancock, Preston Bagwell, Isaiah Green and four veterans on the offensive line will be returning for quarterback Bailey Quick, along with last season's leading rusher, Matt Dixon. Dixon will also be back for the Raiders' experienced front seven on defense at outside linebacker.

"As a team, we've just been working on unity," Dixon said. "Being a team, getting together and working on the fundamentals, getting back to the basics. Being a senior, I have big goals and I want to do big things like the rest of our guys this year, so our goal is to get to the playoffs and do some things there. We just needed to get together and have the same mindset. If we can just all get together, we'll have a chance to be really great."



Photo by Joe McEachern Photography

As one of the seniors on this Good Hope team, Dixon believes he has a responsibility to set a good example on and off the field.

"I just try to be a role model in school and on the field and do what I can to try and motivate and lead by example," Dixon said. "I go hard in every drill and just try to do what I can."

With so many faces returning from last season, Scott thinks that this year's team is in a good position to make a playoff run.

"This year is a little bit unique. We have 25 seniors on the roster and only graduated four from last year, so we don't have to replace hardly anyone," Scott said. "Our defensive backfield was really hurt through graduation and we had an offensive lineman, Tucker Putman, who was very good graduate, but those are really the only roles we've had to kind of shore up. We have a long list of guys coming back that give us a lot of depth and experience."

Good Hope lost tight matchups with region opponents Cordova, Haleyville, Winfield and Class 4A State Runner-Up Fayette County last season. All were key losses that kept the Raiders out of postseason play and all of them could've been wins for Good Hope. Scott believes those games are what will make the difference for the team this fall and wants to see his team respond in those moments.

"I think overall, these guys just want to compete. Last year in our region, we were very close in some key games where we came up short and we'd like to finish those games this year," Scott said. "We played the eventual state runner-up very well at home. We were up on them in the third quarter and just had a couple unfortunate turnovers late in the game that led to points, but I think our guys learned a lot about themselves last year and now it's just a matter of getting a little more disciplined and staying in good shape so that when we get to the fourth quarter, we can finish those games."

By: Nick Griffin





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AUGUST 14, 2018

Cullman's Friends of Frankweiler hear from students about recent trip to Germany

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CULLMAN – On Sunday afternoon at the Cullman County Museum, Cullman's Friends of Frankweiler heard from Alexis "Lexie" Marks and Kevin Killen, who spent part of their summer as ambassadors for the German heritage group to Cullman's sister city, Frankweiler, Germany. The students spent two weeks in Frankweiler and Landau with members of Frankweiler's Friends of Cullman, touring the region, visiting other places like Stuttgart and Heidelberg, and getting a feel for the local culture far beyond a typical tourist experience.

Killen told The Tribune, "It was less of a culture shock than I expected, but it was definitely something I had to get adjusted to. But, once we got over the jet lag and kind of got past the language barriers and everything, it was a great experience."

The students showed the club videos and photos of their travels through the Black Forest and vineyard country, talking about mountain biking with locals, visiting Heidelberg Castle, attending festivals and enjoying an insider's view of life in the region.

They noted how German teens like to listen to the same music and enjoy the same television shows as American teens, and how they tend to have an easier time communicating with English-speaking visitors than their parents and grandparents.

Marks and Killen saw Col. Cullman's home in Frankweiler and also had the opportunity to cross the French border to visit Wissembourg, a town that changed hands many times between Germany and France through history, giving it a hybrid culture.

Marks told the audience about her stay in Frankweiler, "I did feel at home there; it felt like Cullman kind of. I could see the resemblance. Being there, I've seen that we do have a relationship, even though we probably don't communicate the best or whatever.

"It's just that we're family, in a sense. So, I felt that when I was over there. They always took care of me and stuff, like they knew me my entire life."

Highlights

For Killen, the highlights of the trip included visits to the Porsche automotive museum in Stuttgart and the Heidelberg Castle. Marks also listed the castle, along with attending the Frankweiler Wine Festival and riding a vintage tractor through the countryside from town to town.

Then she added, "I think I'll remember the people I met the most. I think that was one of my favorite parts, was just hanging out with other people, honestly."

To a student who might be interested in visiting Frankweiler

Marks said, "I would say do it, for real. I would say just to do it, because it is a once in a lifetime chance to be able to see the connection we have with another town, because I've seen it as well. And I was like, 'Wow, this is really something we have in relationship, you know, like we are related even though we have different parents and different blood.'

"But that town is very much just like Cullman, I would say, and the teenagers are the same. And I think it would be cool to go over there and just see that we have a relationship with other teens, and they're just like us: they listen to the same music, same shows, and they do everything we do, and I think it's a pretty cool experience to meet those teens.

"And I would join the club and stuff to be able to go, as well, if I was them."

The students hope to make a presentation about their trip to Cullman High School's German Club this fall.

For the Friends of Frankweiler

Cullman and Frankweiler are historically connected by Cullman founder Col. Johann Cullman, who was born in Frankweiler. Cullman's Friends of Frankweiler organization works with Frankweiler's Friends of Cullman to promote cultural exchange between the two cities.

On alternating years, students and adults from each city's group get the opportunity to travel to the other, to stay with hosts and get a "non-touristy" inside view of the local culture.



W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman's Lexie Marks, left, and Kevin Killen, right, recently visited Germany as ambassadors for Cullman's Friends of Frankweiler.

Said Killen, "A huge thanks to the Friends of Frankweiler. It's definitely an opportunity that we wouldn't have gotten otherwise, and something that we'll remember for a lifetime."

For more on Friends of Frankweiler, including membership and travel opportunities, visit www.facebook.com/friendsof-frankweilerandcullman/ or call the Cullman County Museum at 256-739-1258.

Obituary Announcements: Aug. 14 - 16

Jackie "Jack" Walter Ritchie, 60 of Nauvoo, entered into rest on Saturday, August 11, 2018 at his home surrounded by his loved ones. Mr. Ritchie was born April 25, 1958, in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Service information is incomplete at this time. Nichols Funeral Home directing.

Bernard Joseph Fromhold, 87, passed away on August 11, 2018. Mr. Fromhold is preceded in death by his parents Bernard Joseph Fromhold and Anna Barbara Baier Fromhold and his brothers Charles Fromhold, Frank Fromhold, and Joe Fromhold. He is survived by his daughter Cynthia (Jeff) Harris and grandchildren Anna Harris (Ryan) Mote and Josh Harris. Celebration of Life will be Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Father Patrick Egan OSB will be officiating. Burial will follow at Catholic Cemetery. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Kathy Mae Bailey Manasco, 67 of Double Springs, entered into rest on Saturday, August 11, 2018 at her home surrounded by her loving family. Kathy was born on December 19, 1950 in Houston, Alabama. Kathy attended Houston Baptist Church and Henryfield Baptist Church for many years until she was not able to anymore. She worked for years at Clark Embroidery, Mobile Vista Window Plant, Winston Uniform, American Fiberglass and Southern Homes. Kathy enjoyed quilting, reading, playing games on her Kindle, crossword puzzles, cooking, baking, and especially spending time with her family. Her Aunt Alice called her "Kitten". Visitation will be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Double Springs. Services will be held on Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Houston Baptist Church where she will lie in state from 12 noon until 2 p.m. Brother Donnie Carroll and Brother Kenny Sudduth will officiate. Burial will be at Burdick Cemetery in Houston. Kathy is survived by her son, Mark Manasco and his wife Katie; daughter, Samantha Royster and her husband Paul; she was Granny to 2 grandsons, Jack and William Manasco; special people, Tosha Martin, Aneilla Curtis and, Matt and Anita Shubert. She was preceded in death by her son, Darrell Ray Ward; mother, Dorothy Mae Bailey Box; grandparents, Earnest and Mary Bailey; uncles, Buddy and Wilford Bailey; and aunts, Etta Rivers, Alice Williamson and Rose Shubert.

Funeral Mass for Gertraude Hendrix, 90 of Hanceville, will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Patrick Egan, OSB officiating; burial at Lee Memorial Park, Lehigh Acres, FL. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Hendrix passed away on Monday, August 13, 2018. She was born July 11, 1928 in Finsterbergen, Germany. She is preceded in death by her husband, Charles L. Hendrix, and her parents. Survivors include her daughter, Jeanette Daniel, two grandsons; Charles (Misty) Daniel and Wolfgang (Eliza) Daniel, and great granddaughter, Angel Jones. Rosary Service will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to your local church.

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
G.M.,)
A Minor Child, 01/19/2009)
CASE NO. JU 2017-540.02

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of the child born on or about 01/19/2009 to Heather Sebert, respond to the Petition of the Alabama Department of Human Resources for the Termination of Parental Rights by the 11th day of September, 2018 or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

It is further **ORDERED** that this Order and notice be published once a week for four successive weeks in *The Cullman Tribune*, a newspaper of general circulation in Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this the 31st day of July, 2018.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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NOTICE

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Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: J. Bradley Wilson, P.O. Box 561, Cullman, AL 35056-0561, (256) 739-9300 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 31st day of July, 2018.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 31 **day of** July, **20** 18.

Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF AUBREY WAYNE TOLBERT, Deceased.)
CASE NO.: PC2018-247

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary having been granted to **Linda Gail Marquette,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Aubrey Wayne Tolbert**, deceased, on the 3rd day of August, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DONE this 3rd day of August, 2018.

Linda Gail Marquette
Personal Representative

J. Bradley Wilson
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TO THE PUBLISHER OF: **THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE**

Please publish the above notice for three (3) consecutive weeks and provide a proof of publication affidavit to the Probate Judge of Cullman County, Alabama.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE

FAITH

3 St. Bernard Abbey monks profess solemn vows

Joyce Nix
St. Bernard



ST. BERNARD

Br. Dominic Lee, Abbot Cletus Meagher, Br. Pachomius Alvarado, and Br. Paschal Pautler

CULLMAN – It was a grand celebration at St. Bernard Abbey on Monday, Aug. 6, 2018 as three monks made their Profession of Solemn Monastic Vows in the Abbey Church: Br. Dominic Lee, Br. Paschal Pautler and Br. Pachomius Alvarado.

Visiting monks from five different monasteries, priests of the Dioceses of Birmingham and Nashville, several communities of religious sisters, seminarians and faithful from around the country traveled to St. Bernard for the Mass of Solemn Profession.

During the Mass, Fr. Marcus Voss, junior master of the monastery, presented each as a candidate for solemn vows to Abbot Cletus Meagher, O.S.B. and the community. After the community gave its affirmation, Abbot Cletus delivered a homily for the occasion. In his remarks he spoke of the vowed life and the rich monastic tradition that is the heritage of those who live the Benedictine vocation, renouncing everything to follow Christ.

Following the ancient custom, each professed his vows before the Abbot and then signed the hand-written document on the altar, along with two witnesses. After lying prostrate before the Altar while the Abbot sang a prayer of solemn consecration over the brothers, they were clothed in the monastic cuculla (a flowing pleated cowl) given to monks who have solemnly professed their final monastic vows.

After the liturgical celebration, the congregation joined the monastic community for a festive dinner in the St. Bernard Dining Hall.

Brother Dominic (Stephen) Lee, 24 years old, was born in Madison, Alabama. His family moved to Huntsville when he was about 10 years old.

He has two older sisters and three younger brothers. One of his sisters is a Benedictine nun at the Abbey of St. Walburga in Colorado.

Happily, she was able to travel to St. Bernard for the occasion. Br. Dominic was homeschooled all through high school education. Br. Dominic is currently enrolled at Belmont Abbey College in Charlotte, North Carolina, where he is studying philosophy and mathematics. He plans to graduate this December.

Brother Paschal (Gabriel) Pautler, 22 years old, was born and raised in Birmingham. He has an older brother and sister, as well as a younger sister and two younger brothers.

He attended St. Rose Academy in Birmingham, a school administered by the Nashville Dominican Sisters, before coming to St. Bernard Prep for his high school education.

fter completing his course of studies at St. Bernard Prep, he graduated from SBP in May 2014 and entered the monastery just three weeks later. Br. Paschal is currently enrolled at Belmont Abbey College in Charlotte, North Carolina, and is studying philosophy, Latin and business management. He is set to graduate in December.

Brother Pachomius (Gustavo) Alvarado, 40 years old, was born in Matanzas, Cuba. His mother still lives in Cuba. His father is deceased. He has one older sister who lives in Florida, along with her two children. After attending university in Cuba, he moved to Bogota, Columbia, where he worked for a marketing and public relations company.

He held that job for two years during which time he learned of the Benedictine monastery of Tibati in Bogota. After several visits to the monastery, he decided to join the monks in Bogota. However, after about a year and a half, he chose to leave Tibati before completing his Novitiate.

While at the monastery of Tibati, he had met Fr. Joel Martin, O.S.B., of St. Bernard Abbey, who was in Colombia recruiting for the prep school. Fr. Joel invited Br. Pachomius to visit St. Bernard Abbey, an invitation which flowered into a life at St. Bernard Abbey. He currently serves as the Abbey Archivist.

St. Bernard Abbey is Alabama's only Benedictine Abbey and home to more than 30 monks. For more information or to learn more about a monastic vocation visit www.stbernardabbey.com.

PET OF THE WEEK

Help Nimbo find his forever home

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CULLMAN – Cullman County Animal Shelter volunteer Donna Ruttkay introduces us to The Cullman Tribune's Pet of the Week.

If you were at the Furry 5K at Depot Park last Friday evening, you might have gotten to meet Nimbo, one of the pups brought out by shelter staff. He's a 1-year-old Husky mix. A laid-back, low-energy pet, he could have a future as a companion, comfort or therapy dog. He enjoys walking on the leash, and according to Ruttkay, when he walks, "He floats, as he strides across the ground, like the nimbostratus clouds that cover the sky."

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior. Several of the shelter's dogs have even been "hired" to work as special needs service dogs.

Nimbo's adoption fee is $90, which includes: DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, neutering, microchip, free 45-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

Please consider adopting to give a rescued pet a chance at a happy and healthy life.

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or visit them at 935 Convent Road NE. Reach them by email at cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com.



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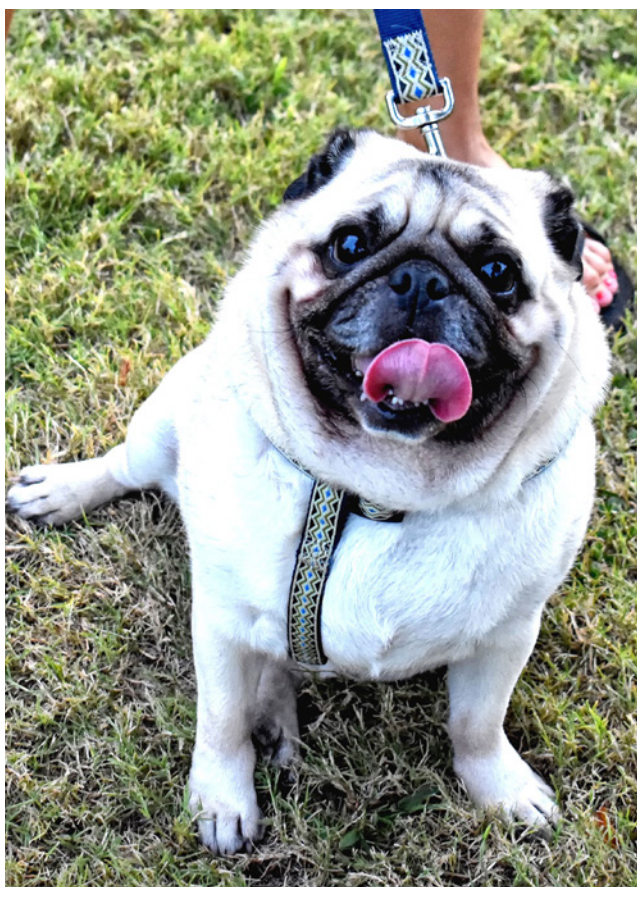
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Organizers said Friday night's 2nd Fridays event might be the biggest one yet.

Maybe the biggest 2nd Fridays celebration yet packs downtown Cullman

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CULLMAN – On Friday evening, downtown Cullman saw what might be its biggest 2nd Fridays celebration yet, with multiple features coming together to create a something-for-everyone experience.

Adding to the festivities was the inaugural Furry 5K Run and 1-Mile Family Dog Walk.

The event included prizes for competitive runners, contests in categories like dog/owner look-alike and waggiest tail, and a host of puppy-powered vendors and activities in Depot Park.

Regular 2nd Fridays activities in the Warehouse District, like Farm Y'all Cullman, antique and classic car Cruise-In (which drew approximately 300 entries this time around), the Cullman County Conservation District's Agventure trailer, peach-themed food demonstrations, Artist Alley, live entertainment and kids' inflatables and games.

Merchants throughout the Warehouse District and downtown business district stayed open late for evening shopping, and this month, running alongside 2nd Fridays, the Downtown Cullman Merchants Association's "Celebrate Cullman" extended the overall event further south down First Avenue with inflatables, carnival rides, games and music.

Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Leah Bolin shared, "You know, each time we like to add a different level of things to do, to bring different kinds of Chamber members to our event to be able to talk about their businesses, and also just make it really fun for the community, as you can see here in Depot Park.

"Last month, we had Ladies' Night in the park. And so, this time we've done the 'Woof Local' movement, and so we had the Furry 5K Run and the 1-Mile Family Dog Walk.

"And then we have all kinds of dog activities and vendors in the park. And, in addition to that, we had the dog parade, with the winners for those categories.

"So it was really fun, because people have been out in the park since 5 p.m., since we opened up, and they've just been kind of laying around and enjoying their dogs, and enjoying their time with their family. It's been very chill and relaxed, and the fun activities we've had; I think they've really enjoyed it."

September's season-closing 2nd Fridays on Sept. 14 will feature a carnival for area nonprofit charitable organizations, a regional cornhole tournament with prizes of $500, $200 and $100 for the top winners and Australian-born and Nashville-based country band Dozzi, who topped the country charts in their home country before coming to the United States.







